

# **HOUSE . . . . . No. 4699**

## **The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 15, 2008.

The committee on Rules, reports, under the provisions of House Rules 7B and 7C, that the accompanying order relative to procedures for consideration of the General Appropriation Bill for fiscal year 2009 (House, No. 4699) ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

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**Angelo M. Scaccia**

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As filed by Mr. Scaccia of Boston on April 14, 2008, and as amended and adopted by the House. April 15, 2008.

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### *House of Representatives,*

*Ordered,* That, notwithstanding the provisions of any rule to the contrary, amendments to the General Appropriation Bill for Fiscal Year 2009 shall be filed with the Clerk of the House in electronic format to be determined by the Clerk as directed by the Speaker; provided that the clerk shall notify by electronic communication the primary sponsor of each amendment of the receipt of such amendment and the number assigned by said Clerk to the amendment; provided further that the Clerk shall print each amendment so filed electronically; and such printed copy shall be considered to be the official amendment; and be it further

*Ordered,* That, notwithstanding the provisions of House Rule 12, the Clerk be directed to print a Calendar for the House Session held on Monday April 28, 2008, containing only the General Appropriation Bill for Fiscal Year 2009; and be it further,

*Ordered,* That notwithstanding the provisions of House Rule 20B, any amendment to the General Appropriation Bill relative to enhancing or reducing revenue may only be considered prior to the third reading of said bill to be in order; provided however, that any such amendment appropriating, earmarking or otherwise segregating revenue shall not be in order; provided that, all other amendments shall only be considered subsequent to the third reading of said bill; and be it further,

*Ordered,* That, no amendment to the General Appropriation Bill for Fiscal Year 2009 relative to casino gaming, slot machines or video gaming shall be in order; provided however, any provisions concerning gaming activities currently authorized under Chapter 10 of the General Laws shall be considered in order, and be it further,

*Ordered,* That, no amendment to Section 3 of the General Appropriation Bill or amendments pertaining to local aid shall be in order, and be it further,

*Ordered,* That, except for consolidated amendments or perfecting amendments offered by the committee on Ways and Means, no proposition on a subject different from the amendment under consideration shall be admitted under color of a further amendment; and be it further

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 20A, any amendment removed by a member from a consolidated amendment shall be offered as an amendment to the budget, to be acted upon in the first degree before action is taken on the consolidated amendment, except that any amendment so removed from the consolidated amendment may be moved by the committee on Ways and Means from one subject category to another in this annual appropriation bill; and be it further

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of House Rule 74, consolidated amendments may not be divided; and be it further

*Ordered,* That, any amendment not complying with the provisions of the special rules of procedure stated herein shall be considered withdrawn; provided that any such amendments shall be published as part of the amendment list published by the committee on Ways and Means; and be it further

*Ordered,* That notwithstanding any provision of this Order or the rules of the House to the contrary, no consolidated amendment to the General Appropriation Act offered by the committee on ways and means shall be considered by the House until the expiration of at least thirty minutes after the consolidated amendment shall have been first filed with the Clerk and made available to the members.